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8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

		Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice	...	7·2	$5\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{3}{4}$	seers per rupee.
Ragi	...	18·1	$10\frac{3}{4}$ to $11\frac{1}{4}$	

Agricultural operations.—Collection of manure.

Outturn of harvest.—Outturn of ragi, 4 annas in a rupee.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market generally well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—It is reported that manure is being carted to the fields in some places in the Nelamangala and Magadi Taluks.

Standing crops.—Condition of sugar-cane is good in some places in Kankanhalli; moderate in the Nelamangala and Devanhalli Taluks; and is withering for want of water in the Anekal and Dodballapur Taluks.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane in some places in the Nelamangala, Magadi and Devanhalli Taluks.

Harvest and outturn.—Sugar-cane is being harvested in some places in the Bangalore and Nelamangala Taluks, and milled in the Magadi and Devanhalli Taluks. Kadale and potato are also being harvested in the Devanhalli Taluk, and kadale only in the Dodballapur Taluk. The yield of sugar-cane is expected to be on an average of 8 annas in the Nelamangala Taluk and 6 annas in the Devanhalli Taluk. The outturn of kadale and potato is estimated to be on an average of 4 and 6 annas, respectively, in the Devanhalli Taluk.

10. It is reported that the prospects of the season are good in the Hoskote and Channapatna Taluks. Food stuffs are available, but their prices are very high. Scarcity is felt in some parts of the Bangalore, Hoskote, Nelamangala, Magadi, Dodballapur and Devanhalli Taluks. The general condition of the Kankanhalli Taluk is moderate and sufficient stocks is available in the Kankanhalli, Magadi, Channapatna and Anekal Taluks.

Three hundred and sixty-four persons are employed in tank and well works in the Bangalore Taluk; 85 in the Hoskote Taluk; 1535 in the Nelamangala Taluk; 60 in the Magadi Taluk and 84 in the Devanhalli Taluk. One hundred and seventy eight persons are in receipt of gratuitous relief.

11. Except for plague in some parts of Bangalore, small-pox in Channapatna and Closepet towns and measles in Anekal, public health generally good.

12. Except for "Dod Roga" and "Chappe Roga" in some parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk, "Dod Roga" in the Magadi Taluk, and "Neradi" and "Dod Roga" in the Anekal Taluk, cattle generally healthy. Water and fodder are available for the present, except that well water is being drawn and used for cattle in some places in the Magadi, Channapatna and Anekal Taluks and the Closepet Sub-Taluk. Water scarcity is being felt in the Magadi and Anekal Taluks and the Closepet Sub-Taluk.

KOLAR.

8. Market moderately supplied.

9. *Standing crops* under *kapile* wells are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane is being sown in almost all the taluks of the district.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in Kolar and Srinivaspur; sugar-cane in Kolar, Chintamani, and Mulbagal; cholum in Bowringpet; and turmeric in Goribidnur.

Outturn of harvests.—

Ragi in Kolar—Yield from 2 to 8 annas.

Yield from 1 to 4 annas.

Sugar-cane in the Kolar, Chintamani and Mulbagal Taluks—Yield from 4 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are not satisfactory. Prices of food stuffs are very high. Large number of District Fund, Municipal and D. P. W. works, now in progress in all parts of the district, is affording sufficient labour to the poor. Gratuitous relief is being given in the affected tracts of the district and takavi advances are also being granted on a liberal scale.

11. Except for plague in the Malur and Chikballapur Taluks and small-pox in parts of the Mulbagal Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Rinderpest is reported to be still prevailing in parts of the Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur and Bagepalli Taluks and the Gudibanda Sub-Taluk. Water and fodder moderately sufficient, except in Chikballapur town where temporary wells have been sunk to get over the difficulty for water experienced there. People throughout the district are anxiously looking forward for the *Mungar* rains.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market moderate.

9. *Standing crops.*—Crops under wells in the Sira Taluk and Bengal gram and cholum in the taluks of Chiknayakanhalli, Pavagada and Kunigal and the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks, are reported to be in moderately good condition, and they are withering in the taluks of Maddagiri, Sira, Gubbi and Tiptur; and sugar-cane in the Tumkur Taluk and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk is also withering.

Crops sown.—Sugar-cane in the Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in the Tumkur and Gubbi Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; cholum and Bengal gram in the Maddagiri, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; cholum in the Sira and Tiptur Taluks; and Bengal gram in the Kunigal Taluk and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. The general condition of the district remains the same as in the last week. A large number of works are in progress in all the taluks and are affording labour for the poor people. Gratuitous relief is also being given in the affected parts throughout the district. Takavi advances and loans under the Land Improvement Loans Regulation are also being granted on a large scale.

11. Except for plague and small-pox in certain villages in the district, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" in all the taluks, except the Kunigal Taluk and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk, is still prevailing. Scarcity for water and fodder is being felt in many parts of the district. Water is being bailed out from wells for cattle in many places. Temporary wells are being dug up in several villages to mitigate water scarcity. Fodder for cattle is being imported in certain villages of the Sira, Tiptur and Kunigal Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk. Ninety-six cattle in the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk have returned from forests, where they had been taken for grazing.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands are being ploughed all over the district.

Standing crops.—These are reported to be in fair condition in parts of the Mysore Chamrajnagar, Nanjangud, T.-Narsipur and Nagamangala Taluks, and good in parts of the Seringapatam Taluk. Paddy in parts of the Mandya Taluk is reported to be withering for want of water. Dry crops in parts of the Seringapatam Taluk are reported to have suffered for want of rain; cholum and Bengal gram in tank beds in parts of the Mandya Taluk are reported to be in need of rain.

Crops sown.—Manurial crops in wet lands in parts of the T.-Narsipur Taluk.

Crop harvested.—Bengal gram in parts of the Mandya Taluk.

Estimated outturn.—

In Seringapatam Taluk—Paddy, yield from 12 to 16 annas.
Ragi, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Horse gram and cholum, yield 4 annas.

In Nanjangud Taluk—Castor, yield 8 annas.

In Mandya Taluk—Ragi, ballar and horse gram, yield from 2 to 4 annas.
Paddy, yield from 2 to 4 annas in certain parts and from 6 to 12 annas in a few parts.

In Krishnarajpete Taluk—Sugar-cane, yield 6 annas.

10. Prospects of the season indifferent in parts and not good in others. Food stuffs are available in all the taluks, except Nagamangala where stock of them is reported to be not available. One hundred and thirty persons in the Mandya Taluk are reported to be under gratuitous relief. It is reported that in the Krishnarajpete Taluk, Rs. 268-2-11 have been paid to coolies employed in tank works and also that ragi worth Rs. 251-7-3 has been gratuitously distributed to relieve distress.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Mysore, Hunsur, Gundlupet and Nanjangud Taluks and cholera in one village of the Nagamangala Taluk, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga," "Chappe Roga" and "Foot and mouth disease" are prevailing in parts of the district. Tanks in parts of the Nanjangud and Mandya Taluks are running dry. Temporary wells are being sunk wherever difficulty for water is felt. Water is available for the present in other places. Fodder is scarce in parts of the Mandya and Krishnarajpete Taluks.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Dry lands are being manured in parts of the Hassan Taluk; and wet lands are being ploughed in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk. Transplantation of kar paddy is finished in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk.

State of standing crop.—Sugar-cane is in fair condition in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk. It is withering for want of water in the Hassan, Belur and Channarayapatna Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in the Channarayapatna Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk and Bengal gram in the Belur, Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season generally fair, except in parts of the Arsikere, Channarayapatna, Belur and Hole-Narsipur Taluks where they are not encouraging. Food stuffs are available. About 180 people are employed in relief works in the Arsikere Taluk.

11. Public health generally fair, but cholera in six villages of the Arkalgud Taluk and small-pox and measles in parts of the Hole-Narsipur Taluk, are still prevalent.

12. Cattle generally are not in good condition. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in parts of the Manjarabad, Arkalgud, Arsikere and Hole-Narsipur Taluks. Water and fodder are available in limited quantities especially in the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks. Where there is any difficulty for drinking water, temporary wells are sunk in tank beds by the villagers. Needful steps are being taken to sink fresh water wells, where absolutely necessary to supplement water-supply and to start tank works to afford wages for labourers. Paddy straw continues to be exported from the Manjarabad Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk to some of the maidan taluks of the district and its neighbourhood.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market moderately supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands are being ploughed in the Honnali, Sagar and Nagar Taluks.

Standing crops.—White jolum, Bengal gram and cotton in the maidan taluks and sugar-cane in other parts are in moderately good condition.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane in portions of the Shimoga, Shikarpur and Sorab Taluks and of the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested.—White jolum, Bengal gram and cotton in parts of the Channagiri Taluk; and Bengal gram in parts of the Sorab Taluk. Sugar-cane milling operations are in progress in the Shikarpur, Sorab, Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli Taluks. Sugar-cane has been completely harvested in the Shimoga Taluk and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season uncertain. There is no change in the general condition of the district. People are anxiously looking for rain throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in some villages of the Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali Taluks. Water and fodder available for the present.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing in parts of Chikmagalur, Mudgere and Sringeri and planting of sugar-cane in parts of Yedahalli, are going on.

Standing crops are in unsatisfactory condition for want of timely and sufficient rain.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

In Chikmagalur—Fenugreek, yield 4 annas.
Wheat, yield from 4 to 6 annas.
Jola, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Bengal gram, yield 8 annas.
In Kadur—Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas.
In Tarikere—Cotton, yield 12 annas.
In Koppa—Sugar-cane, yield 12 annas.
In Yedahalli—Sugar-cane, yield from 8 to 12 annas.

10. Reports received from the taluks as regards the prospects of the season are the same as in the last week. Food stuffs are available, but their prices are still high.

11. Except for plague in a few villages of the Tarikere Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" in a mild form in certain villages of the Chikmagalur Taluk and "Foot and mouth" disease in a few villages of the Tarikere and Mudgere Taluks are still prevailing. Water and fodder are available in the malnad, but difficulty is felt in procuring them in the maidan parts of the district.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Except those under *kapile* wells and channels which are in fairly good condition, the rest are reported to be withering for want of rain.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

Wheat in the Challakere and Molakalmuru Taluks, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Cotton in the Holalkere and Molakalmuru Taluks, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Paddy in the Molakalmuru Taluk, yield 8 annas.
Chillis in the Challakere Taluk, yield 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Jagalur, Davangere and Hosdurga Taluks. Food stuffs available. Reports are the same this week as in the last week as regards the demand for labour and the efforts made to meet it. Takavi loans and gratuitous relief in grains are also given to the poor and helpless raiyats in the affected parts of the district.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Hiriyur, Davangere and Hosdurga Taluks where Rinderpest prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Molakalmuru and Hosdurga Taluks. Fodder being insufficient it is got at a very high rate in some places from where it is available. In other places, cattle are taken to forests for grazing. Date leaves are also being used in some places. Water is made available in places where it is found necessary by deepening existing wells and sinking new ones.

BANGALORE,
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